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Applicant(s): Kudla *et al.*
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Infections and Nasal Secretion Collection Unit
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To: The Assistant Commissioner for Patents

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR 1.115

Dear Sir:

Please amend this application as follows:

In the specification:

Please delete the first paragraph on page one of the specification (lines 8 though 11) and
replace with the following new paragraph:

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"This application is a divisional of application number 09/597,360, which was
filed June 19, 2000, ^{NOW US PATENT 6,551,791} which is a continuation in part of PCT application serial
number PCT/US99/05751 and application number 09/936,954, filed March 16,
1999, which in turn is a continuation-in-part of application number 08/621,557,
filed March 26, 1996 now US Patent 5,910,421, which is a continuation in part of
application serial number 08/576,604, filed on December 21, 1995, now
abandoned.